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Katz, et al.

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Introductory Comments

The applicants' representative appreciates the opportunity to discuss this application by telephone with Examiner McClellan on 21 August 2003. As discussed by phone, to expedite prosecution of this application, and without waiver, prejudice, or disclaimer of their rights to prosecute claims directed to this subject matter in the future, the applicants withdraw all claims pending after entry of the response mailed by the applicants on 27 May 2003, except for independent claims 21 and 68 and dependent claims 22, 23, 36, 39, 40, 42-50, 69-71, and 75. As discussed in the previous response, the applicants submit that these remaining claims are fully supported by the specification of United States Patent Number 6,055,513, with an effective filing date of 11 March 1998, which predates the effective date of the Fano patent, which was filed on 26 February 1999.

In preparing this Supplemental Response, the applicants also noted several informalities appearing in dependent claims 70, 71, and 75, and in the interests of streamlining prosecution of these claims, correct these informalities as indicated below.

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